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[Despatch Abstract.]

M.L.A. QUESTION (Starred) No.275 by Sri V. Raghaviah M.L.A. regarding the starting of cottage Industries in the selected firkas - Papers recorded.

COTTAGE INDUSTRIES

*215.Q.- SRI V. RAGHAVAYYA: Will the Hon. the Minister for Firka Development be pleased to state---

(a) what the recommendations of the Director of Industries are with regard to the starting of cottage industries in the development firkas; and

(b) what the Government propose to do with the existing industries?

THE HON. DR. S. GURUBATHAM: --"(a) The recommendations of the Director of Industries and Commerce, in short, are that instead of the present Demonstration and Training Units, Production units of cottage industries should be started for the production by improved methods of every day requirements of the villagers and of certain special articles made with traditional or special skill. He has suggested that these production units should be owned and operated by co-operative societies or partnerships of the local population including craftsmen and that Government should help these units with equipment, raw materials and expert technical advice. The Director of Industries and Commerce is of the view that as far as possible smithy and carpentry should go together, that a start should be made with these trades and that other crafts may be taken up in course of time.

"(b) The Government have not yet finally drawn up their schemes. They have, however, provisionally agreed that wood-work and blacksmithy and that the other four basic cottage industries, viz., pottery, tanning and leather goods manufacture, sheet metal work and light metal casting, which are capable of being developed should also be taken up. The other existing cottage industries will be discontinued as soon as the full course of training prescribed for these training units is completed."

To A.S.

Please see the extract from the printed Proceedings of the Assembly dated 8-9-49 at page 13 c.f. No supplementary questions were asked. No further action seems called for in this file. The papers may be recorded as G.O.Ms. for facility of reference at a future date.

This is another paper which has been allowed to remain pending unnecessarily for 365 days.

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G.O.Ms.No.868,Firka Development,dt.10-9-49.

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